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## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS28548 / H0265

The School Transportation Support Program formula demonstrated a weakness during a time of State, National and local emergency. In the last quarter of fiscal year 2020, the school closings dramatically reduced the mileage, and operational costs of the contracted school bus companies and proprietary busing offered by our public schools. However, it did not relieve the fixed costs, maintenance costs, start-up costs and the managing and training new drivers. The formula looks at the prior year actuals, to fund current year expenses. This bill provides that a school district or charter school will continue to submit their actual incurred costs; however, in the case that an emergency disrupts the normal operations, the formula will compare the reimbursable cost to last non-emergency impacted fiscal year. If there is a decrease of 10% or more, the reimbursement will be based upon the non-emergency year.

## FISCAL NOTE

This ~~will~~ bill would create a net increase of \$3,192,502 for Fiscal 2021. The 2020 total reimbursable costs of ~~\$85,975,717~~ ~~\$85,597,212~~, compared to \$82,404,710 for fiscal 2021. The overall cost to the state will still be below the prior year expectations with this bill.

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